

MINUTES OF : Meeting of the Cemetery Commissioners

MEETING POSTED: YES

DATE: 2/12/2014 TIME: 2:00pm PLACE: Town Hall Room 126

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brewster Conant, Bill Klauer, Joe Will

ALSO PRESENT: Shawn O'Malley, Allura Overstreet, Tom Tidman

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 2:00pm

Review and sign minutes from last meeting. Reviewed and signed.

Discussion on re-purposing 2 warrant articles for construction of maintenance buildings in the cemeteries. Tom Tidman reports that the Harris St property is off the Town Meeting warrant so there is no immediate need to resolve this. Brewster Conant suggests looking at a one bay addition to the existing garage at Woodlawn with space above it for a handicap accessible entry and bathroom. This would satisfy the original intent of the warrant articles and also the need for handicap access to the Kennedy Service Building. Brewster will attempt to set up a meeting with Dean Charter to discuss this option. Motion, 2nd, passed.

Re-visit handicap access to the Woodlawn Chapel.

Brewster Conant spoke with the Woodlawn Chapel Trustee, David Taylor, who expressed an interest in a temporary as needed access ramp to the front of the Chapel. Bill Klauer feels that the amount of times that the Chapel actually gets used during the year does not warrant spending large amounts of money to make the entire building HP accessible. Due to it's age the building is exempt from this requirement until renovations exceed 1/3 it's assessed value. Brewster Conant will look into temporary access ramps on line.

Report on visit with David Taylor.

David Taylor advised that he has an application for Shawn O'Malley for Woodlawn Chapel Trustee in the works. Brewster Conant also advised Mr. Taylor of additional fees for the restoration of the Chapel doors totaling \$352.00, Mr. Taylor will approve the expenditure. Mr. Taylor was also advised that it would be a welcome practice to visit the Chapel once a year with Shawn O'Malley to assess any repairs that the Chapel may need.

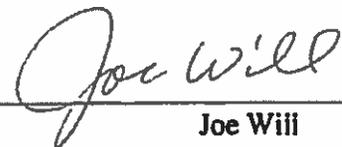
Parcel C near Morrison Farm:

Brewster Conant expressed concerns with allowing additional Community Gardens on this site citing parking concerns and the future difficulty of getting the site back for cemetery use. The Commissioners agree to let this issue stand until such time that the parcel is needed, and do nothing that will preclude the cemetery's use of it until then. Motion, 2nd, passed.



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Heath Hen Meadow agreement expired.

This agreement expired in 2006. In the minutes of 3/21/2012 it was mentioned that the Commissioners should take the agreement to the Land Stewardship Committee and the Conservation Commission for consideration. The commissioners agree that there is great concern over dogs that are not leashed being allowed to run through the cemetery prior to entrance into the conservation trails. Shawn states that he has purchased several "No Dogs in the Cemetery" signs and will install them as soon as the weather permits. The commissioners also suggest that the Land Stewards advertise this policy in their informational pamphlets. As before the commissioners wish to table this agreement until the applicable committees have been advised and have their chance to discuss it.

Deer resistant plantings for spring planting.

The Commissioners will continue to look into new prospective plantings, no decision as yet.

Madden property status update

Brewster Conant states that the Notice of Intent to Develop has been withdrawn; no other info is available at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

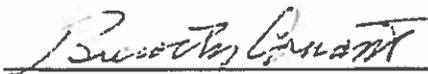
An update of the Crew activities and any concerns since the last Cemetery Commissioners meeting by Crew Chief Shawn O'Malley.

Nothing notable to discuss.

Documents presented: NONE

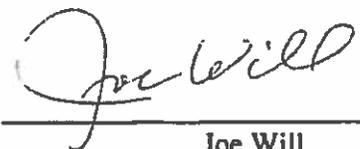
Meeting adjourned at : 3:10pm

Next meeting scheduled for: 3/12/2014



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